What is claimed is:

1.   A system to support an electronic market place, comprising:

a communication network to communicate purchase requests;

one or more buyers coupled to the network to issue a purchase order specifying items from two or more suppliers; and

a server coupled to the network to receive the purchase order, the server generating sub-orders from the purchase order and sending the sub-orders to the two or more suppliers for fulfillment.

2. The system of claim 1, further comprising

means for receiving an acceptance from the vendor;

means for accessing data from a Central Contract Registry (CCR) Database to retrieve vendor payment data; and

means for paying the vendor using the CCR database.

3. The system of claim 2, further comprising means for keeping a local copy of the CCR database in a system database.

4. The system of claim 2, further comprising means for importing the CCR data into a public data storage and a private data storage.

5. The system of claim 4, wherein the importing means further comprises means for transferring data over a secure protocol.

6. The system of claim 2, further comprising means for using the CCR data to Register Vendors, Search and Select Vendors for solicitation of services and/or delivery of supplies; View Vendor Profile; or Electronic Transfer Funds for outstanding account payable.

7. The system of claim 6, wherein the vendor registration further comprises means for validating the vendor's DUNS/CAGE data and Point of Contact data.

8. The system of claim 6, wherein the view vendor profile further comprises means for displaying Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors; Business Type; Geographic Location; or NAICS/SIC Code.

9. The system of claim 6, wherein the search vendor profile further comprises means for receiving as a search parameter one or more of the following: Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors; Business Type; Geographic Location; and NAICS/SIC Code.

10. The system of claim 6, further comprising

> means for retrieving CCR public data and private data;
>
> means for determining the vendor's business name and mailing address from the public data;
>
> means for determining the vendor's electronic fund transfer (EFT) information from the private data; and
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> means for using the EFT information to pay the vendor.

11. A computer-implemented method to fulfill an order, comprising:

receiving an electronic purchase order specifying items from two or more suppliers; and

generating sub-orders from the purchase order and sending the sub-orders to two
or more suppliers for fulfillment.

11. The method of claim 11, further comprising

     receiving an acceptance from the vendor;

     accessing data from a Central Contract Registry (CCR) Database to
retrieve vendor payment data; and

     paying the vendor using the CCR database.

12. The method of claim 12, further comprising keeping a local copy of the CCR
database in a system database.

13. The method of claim 12, further comprising importing the CCR data into a
public data storage and a private data storage.

14. The method of claim 14, wherein the importing further comprises transferring
data over a secure protocol.

15. The method of claim 12, further comprising using the CCR data to Register
Vendors, Search and Select Vendors for solicitation of services and/or
delivery of supplies; View Vendor Profile; or Electronic Transfer Funds for
outstanding account payable.

16. The method of claim 16, wherein the vendor registration further comprises
validating the vendor's DUNS/CAGE data and Point of Contact data.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein the view vendor profile further comprises
displaying Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors;
Business Type; Geographic Location; or NAICS/SIC Code.

18. The method of claim 16, wherein the search vendor profile further comprises receiving as a search parameter one or more of the following: Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors; Business Type; Geographic Location; and NAICS/SIC Code.

19. The method of claim 16, further comprising

retrieving CCR public data and private data;

determining the vendor's business name and mailing address from the public data;

determining the vendor's electronic fund transfer (EFT) information from the private data; and

using the EFT information to pay the vendor.